

FaDSS Organizational Review Process

FaDSS will review organizational standards for compliance as identified by individual agencies. The intent of the FaDSS review of organizational standards is to ensure compliance with an agency's chosen accrediting body.

Grantees may follow one of the following national or state level accrediting processes:

- National Standards for Community Services Block Grant (CSBG),
- Council on Accreditation (COA),
- Commission on Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities (CARF),
- Iowa Family Support Standards (IFSC),
- FaDSS Organizational Standards,

Review process

In order to transition to reviewing organizational standards the following schedule has been developed:

- FY16 will be a transition year to allow all agencies to come into compliance with one of the above accrediting processes. The agency will also identify which accrediting process they will use. The FaDSS on-site review will include the status of the agency's compliance with its organizational standards accrediting process. The agency may be in process of accreditation, or currently accredited.
- Beginning in FY17, all FaDSS agencies must demonstrate compliance with its accrediting process as part of the FaDSS onsite review. Compliance can be demonstrated by providing the agency's most recent accrediting report or other relevant information from its accrediting organization. For agencies utilizing the CSBG Organizational Standards, FaDSS program managers will coordinate with DCAA/CSBG to obtain this information.
- Agencies unable to demonstrate compliance with its accrediting process may be subject to a FaDSS corrective action plan.

Each year the program manager will address the status of the review of organizational standards. The accrediting information is provided to the FaDSS program manager during phase one of the onsite process (See onsite process). During phase two of the onsite process, the program manager will review the accrediting reports for overall organizational compliance to the accrediting standards. During phase three of the FADSS onsite process, the program manager and agency staff will discuss organizational standards and reports from the agency's accrediting body. This may include the need to request any additional follow up to the accrediting report not previously available. The FaDSS onsite report will provide a summary of the agency's compliance with the organizational standards.